

# Life After AmeriCorps: Find Your Path to a Career in Federal Government

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# Applying for a Job – Career or Political?

- **Federal departments and agencies** (career positions): [usajobs.gov](https://usajobs.gov)
- **U.S. Senate:** [senate.gov/visiting/employment.htm](https://senate.gov/visiting/employment.htm)
- **U.S. House of Representatives:** [house.gov/employment](https://house.gov/employment)
- **Executive Office of the President** (political positions):  
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/get-involved/join-us/>

# Pathways & Other Considerations

- ***Internships, Fellowships, and Other Work Experience Opportunities in the Federal Government*** (Congressional Research Service, updated in 2020):  
[crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/RL/98-654](https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/RL/98-654)
- **General Schedule Locality Pay:**  
[opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/2021/general-schedule/](https://opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/2021/general-schedule/)

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- Background check (*public trust*; confidential information)
- Security clearance (classified information)
- Ongoing education and development
  - Partnership for Public Service: <https://ourpublicservice.org/>
- Detail to other agencies and different levels of government





## Oatmeal Cookies

(Makes two dozen cookies)

2 sticks soft butter  
1 cup dark brown sugar  
1 cup granulated sugar  
½ cup dried cherries or raisins  
2 cups all purpose flour  
½ teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon

½ teaspoon baking powder  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
2 cups old fashioned oats  
2 tablespoons whole milk  
8 eggs  
1 tablespoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 350°. Mix butter and sugars in a mixer with paddle attachment until light and fluffy. Add cherries or raisins. Sift together flour, salt, cinnamon, baking powder, and baking soda, then add oats.

Turn mixer to its slowest setting, and add dry ingredients to butter and sugar mixture. Mix briefly, then add milk, eggs, and vanilla extract.

Use ice cream scoop to make small cookie dough balls, and drop onto parchment or greased cookie sheet. Leave 2 inches between each cookie so that they can spread out. Bake at 350° for 15 to 20 minutes until edges are golden brown.

*Mitchell Obama*

*From the People's House to your house—a recipe from Bill Yosses in the White House Kitchen*



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